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The King of Sweden writes a poem every day.

Thin gauze veils are coming in fashion again.

A son of Rachael is a clerk to a gas company.

The widow of Sir John Franklin is at Madrid.

The youngest daughter of Ole Bull died on the 18th.

The first house in San Francisco was erected in 1846.

Wigs of floss silk are fashionable in Paris for the ladies.

Crickett is taking the place of base ball in Pennsylvania.

Hoboken is to have a daily paper after the first of May.

Patti will sing eight months longer in St. Petersburg for $40,000.

The Massachusetts billiard tournament is to be played May 10.

The Abyssinian Expedition cost fully ten million pounds sterling.

French Democrats call the Prince Imperial "Velocipede IV."

Another gang of counterfeiters was broken up at Detroit on Thursday last.

Of the thirty-two actors in the Salt Lake theater, thirty-one are Mormons.

Small silver chains are in vogue among some gentlemen for evening dress.

A young man of aristocratic family in New York has eloped with an opera singer.

Fanny Kimble says Mrs. Scott Siddons is not a descendant of *the* Siddons.

Dickens has been threatened with a libel suit by the proprietors of the Alhambra.

A. Dumas, jr., is writing a book on "The Modern Woman;" ditto, J. Stuart Mill.

Mr. James Redpath, of Boston, has started a lecturing bureau for the New England States.

The sale of Thomas Jefferson's estate at Monticello, has been postponed till the 25th instant.

Isabella's mother is very wealthy, having accumulated her fortune in the Cuban slave trade.

It is reported that James Fisk, jr., contemplates purchasing the Ocean House, at Newport.

Paducah is to have a Board of Trade.

W. J. Florence and wife are going to Europe next month.

Governor Hoffman thinks New York has so many criminals that another State prison is needed there.

Gustave Dore's picture of "Titania" is the subject of much talk in Paris. It covers only a square foot of canvas.

Henry Hoffman, a New York milkman, was fined fifty dollars, Tuesday, for watering the contents of his cans.

The widow of General W. A. Nicholls, late of Sheridan's staff, has been appointed Postmaster of Leavenworth.

A lady of Richmond, Virginia, recently gave birth to two twins, thirteen days elapsing between the births.

In Tuolumne county, California, there has been laid an iron water-pipe, 8,800 feet long and eleven inches in diameter.

A telegraphic velocipede is mentioned, that shall run on a wire from New Orleans to New York in an hour and a half.

The population of Charleston, since the war, is estimated to amount to 40,000 souls—20,000 white and 20,000 colored.

Two leading London weeklies, the *Examiner* and the *Review*, have been united, and retain both names in the new title.

The Mobile *Register* points the hegira of the Radical city engineer from that city with the apt quotation: "See the swallows homeward fly!"

It is estimated that the one hundred and seventy liquor shops of Manchester, New Hampshire, average each ten dollars sales a day, or $620,000 yearly.

The brother of the poet Percival is in an insane asylum in Connecticut. He is seventy-one years of age, and believes himself to be very rich.

Not one-tenth of those who die and leave property, in Indiana, leave a will. The law makes for them better wills than they would be apt to make for themselves.

Hon. Timothy C. Day, of Cincinnati, who died in that city on Thursday evening, was at one time proprietor of the *Enquirer* newspaper, and one of its editors.

Mr. Marshall O. Roberts did not present his daughter with one hundred thousand dollars on her wedding day, as was reported in some of the New York papers.

"Ned Buntline," it is said, has abandoned temperance, drinks to excess, and is the owner of a faro bank at White Pine. All of which may be called serious backsliding.

The street lamps of New York are to be lighted by electricity; the lamp commissioner will say, "let there be light," and on the instant all Gotham will be made bright as day.

The leading St. Louis papers, in bidding for the city printing, give the following as their circulation: *Missouri Democrat*, 7,062; *Missouri Republican*, 10,000; *Westliche Post*, 8,721; *Times*, 5,240.

The value of Canadian cattle imported into the United States during the first three months of 1869, was two hundred and thirty-six thousand two hundred and fifty-two dollars—nearly double the value of those imported during the same period of 1868.

THE FUTURE OF MEMPHIS.

HER RAILROADS.

Memphis has now four lines of railroad completed, or nearly so, viz: The Memphis and Charleston, the Memphis and Ohio, the Tennessee and Mississippi, and the Memphis and Little Rock. All of them are important roads, and have done much towards making Memphis what she now is. In addition to these there are now in contemplation the Memphis and St. Louis, the Mississippi River, the Memphis and Selma, and the Yazoo Valley Railroads, which, with their connections, will give Memphis all the railroad facilities she needs. They will connect her with the cotton regions, as well as the coal and iron districts, of Mississippi and Alabama, and also with the granaries of Tennessee, Kentucky, Missouri and Illinois, and, in connection with the GREAT RIVER, which can never be ignored, and whose value and importance can never be over estimated, will form a perfect system of Internal Improvements. The city and county will doubtless at the proper time, either by private subscription or by a general railroad tax, contribute whatever may be necessary to the building of these roads. I will not undertake in these articles to say which of these roads is of the most immediate and pressing importance. That will be for the consideration of the business men and owners of real estate in the city. The county is as much interested, or nearly so, as the city, because, as the population and trade of the city increase, the value of property in the county increases. If Memphis had a population of 250,000 inhabitants, the value of real estate in the county of Shelby, outside of the city limits, would be more than doubled.

Memphis has grown as rapidly under the influence of her roads as any city in the West. St. Louis was settled in 1764, and yet up to 1830, sixty-six years afterward, the population was only 5,852. Memphis has been settled not more than forty years, and yet her population is near forty thousand. In 1835 St. Louis had a population of 8,316, seven times as much as the then population of Memphis. Her population at this time, notwithstanding the immense amount that has been expended upon her railroad system, is not more than five times as much as that of Memphis. These facts are not mentioned to disparage St. Louis, because she has grown amazingly, and we are glad of it, but to show that Memphis has also made rapid progress in trade and population.

St. Louis and Chicago have both felt the beneficial influences of enterprising and public spirited citizens, and that accounts for their rapid growth. St. Louis has a mercantile library which contains about thirty thousand volumes, and many public edifices of great splendor. Memphis, too, must have her mechanics' institutes, and mercantile libraries, her parks, and magnificent fair grounds, if she aspires to rival the cities of St. Louis and Chicago, which she can do with proper efforts.

The amount expended by Memphis for railroads heretofore has been:

For Memphis and Charleston Railroad	$500,000
For Mississippi and Tennessee	250,000
For Memphis and Little Rock	350,000
For Memphis and Ohio	250,000
This in all would amount to	$1,350,000

The roads yet to be completed will do more for this city than has been done even by those that have been built, and will, together with those already completed, concentrate the greater portion of the trade of the Central Mississippi Valley at Memphis, and make her not only one of the greatest cotton, but also manufacturing, cities of this continent.

PUBLIC CREDIT—PACIFIC RAILROAD.

The preservation of the credit of the city is a matter of the utmost importance to owners of property, for if it should be depreciated to any considerable extent the burdens of taxation would be increased, the growth of the city retarded, and it would require a much larger sum to defray the ordinary expenses of the city government. The public credit can only be preserved by paying promptly the ordinary expenses of the city government, and by meeting the interest on the bonds of the corporation punctually. To do this, every exertion should be made, and any temporary sacrifice should willingly be borne, because such a course would result in ultimate good. The credit of the city can be improved by increasing its business and trade, and enlarging its population.

Three million of dollars wisely expended by the city in judicious improvements would not only add to its wealth immeasurably, but would strengthen its credit. St. Louis, I am informed, owes a debt of $18,500,000, and the city taxes are one dollar and eighty cents on every hundred dollars worth of property. The expenditure of three million of dollars would give Memphis railroad facilities equal to those of St. Louis, and would cause this city, in a few years, to rival St. Louis if not to surpass it in population and wealth. A tax of one-half per cent. upon one hundred millions would yield more than a tax of one per cent. upon thirty-six millions dollars, the present assessed value of city property. It thus appears that by increasing the wealth of the city you will decrease the rate of taxation.

I do not mean that the city and county should subscribe three million of dollars immediately, but this should be done gradually and with caution, so as not to injure the credit of the city nor to increase the burdens of taxation. How, when, and in what length of time, and to what roads this aid should be given, it is for the Commissioners Court of Shelby county and the Mayor and Aldermen of Memphis to determine, subject to the approval of the voters of the county and city. I mean to state the general proposition that the credit of the city may be safely extended to such roads as the wants of the city imperatively demand.

To show the importance of the city of Memphis to the county of Shelby and to the whole State, it may be mentioned that the county of Shelby, of which Memphis is so important a part, pays into the State Treasury annually, $312,444 50.

Shelby county contains more than one-eighth of the taxable property of the whole State, and pays into the State Treasury nearly one-fifth of the revenue of the State. If Memphis should be doubled or quadrupled in wealth and population, it would materially diminish the rate of taxation, because the wealth and population would be so much increased.

PACIFIC RAILROAD.

I have never doubted that a railroad would be built from Memphis to the Pacific as early as the year 1840 I prepared a series of articles, which were published in the Columbia (Tenn.) *Intelligencer*, where I then resided, on the subject of a railroad to the Pacific, from which I will make an extract, showing what were my views at that time in regard to Memphis as the starting point for the Pacific Railroad. I then said: "It is exceedingly important that a route should be selected not subject to the objections stated by Mr. Benton. A more Southern route would avoid all these obstacles, and would in all respects be as advantageous to all sections of the Union. Memphis is, perhaps, as suitable a point as can be selected. By means of the Mississippi and its tributaries it is connected with the great cities of the West. It is in the heart of the great Mississippi Valley, and occupies a commanding position, which clearly marks it as the most suitable point for the termination of the Pacific Railroad. It is probable that a railroad commencing there would avoid the deep snows spoken of by Mr. Benton. In a few years there will be a continuous line of railroad from Memphis to the Atlantic." This was written when Memphis had only a population of twelve thousand, and when there was not even a railroad from Nashville to Charleston. Now we have the road to Charleston, and will soon have, I hope, a direct route to Pensacola, and Savannah. The fears expressed by Mr. Benton have been realized, and a Southern route is imperatively demanded by the interests of commerce. The arguments in favor of Memphis are daily increasing, and are becoming manifest to all.

GENERAL FEATURES OF THE CITY.

Memphis is situated on the high bluffs just below the mouth of Wolf river, and extends down the river about three miles and about one mile and a half east. The principal heavy business is done on Front Row and on the streets between that and Main, the next street parallel with Front Row. The chief dry goods stores are on Main street, though there is quite a number on Second and other streets. The city may be extended down the river many miles, as it is a high bluff for a considerable distance. The streets are very wide and since the Nicolson pavement has been laid are very beautiful. There are near ten miles of the city laid with the Nicolson pavement, which, if it lasts, will add very much to the comfort and value of property. East, there is for many miles a rolling and beautiful country suitable for residences. There are many schools in the city, both for males and females. There will doubtless in a few years be established here a flourishing University in the medical and law departments. There is a fine medical school already in successful operation. The street railroads extend from Elmwood Cemetery to the Memphis and Ohio depot, a distance of three miles; from the Tennessee and Mississippi depot to the east of Poplar street, a distance of two miles, and from St. Agnes Academy to the Memphis and Ohio depot, a distance of two miles. The number of churches and schools in the city is equal to that of any city of the same size in the West. The mortality which occurs in the city is mostly with the black population, as the mortuary reports show, and is often the result of negligence and inattention.

I will close this article by quoting the well timed remarks made in the able and interesting report of the Chamber of Commerce of this city, for the year 1868:

"Containing every facility for becoming a great manufacturing and commercial emporium second to no inland city on the continent, we can, if proper encouragement is extended by our large property owners, in a short period, become a great manufacturing city, with hundreds of thousands of people. But whether or not the music of machinery, directed by intellect and skill, shall make melody for a quarter of a million of white freemen, depends in a great measure upon the liberality and enterprise of our own people. Because we have the greatest inland cotton market in the country, and because we handled more than two hundred and fifty thousand bales of the staple during the past season, netting more money per bale to the grower than at any of the export markets, we must not think that we will continue to grow and prosper, without strenuous efforts and energy on the part of all.

"It has been demonstrated by practical experiments that no country can compete successfully with our Southern States in the manufacture of coarse cotton. We have the raw material in abundance, and it only requires the exhibition of proper energy to have the same of cotton factories. By building up literary institutions, educating our sons and daughters at home, and encouraging our own mechanics, we will develop the resources of the great country around us; build our own city, and increase our wealth and prosperity. We have an abundance of provisions; the finest water power in the world; wood and coal are plenty and convenient, and we should make every hill and valley vocal with the whirl of machinery, while railways should radiate to every village and town, like the arteries of the human heart. Memphis must not suffer herself to sleep soundly in the arms of the prosperity which the God of nature seems to have surrounded her with; nor like Achilles of old must she conceive that the Deity has lent her armor, and as a pet child of destiny, she must ever remain invulnerable."

WILLIAM J. SYKES.

Extraordinary Surgical Case.

The Rusian River (Cal.) *Flag* gives the particulars of the remarkable recovery of Mr. B. F. Chase, foreman of a mill in Mendocino county, from what apparently deadly wounds. It appears that in July, 1864, Mr. Chase was doing some work under a picket saw, which was running at great speed, when inadvertently raising his head against the saw he received a cut beginning at the frontal bone, one half inch above the nose, and running back to the occipital bone. Dr. A. C. Folsom was called, but at first thought it useless to dress the wound, believing that the man would die in a few minutes; but Mr. Chase being perfectly conscious and free from pain, he concluded to attempt a careful dressing, encouraged somewhat, he says, by remembering the case of a man in Vermont who had a tamping iron blown through his head and recovered therefrom. The cut gaped open so that the skull bones were a full inch apart. Dr. Folsom estimated that the brain was cut nearly to the base, or fully three inches deep. He inserted a pocket rule an inch and a half. He carefully removed all fragments of the skull—taking out over thirty pieces—and washed out the sawdust that had got into the opening, using warm water to promote hemorrhage, which was slight for so extensive a wound. He also washed out more than a tablespoonful of brain. How much more the saw carried away one can only conjecture. The doctor then shaved the scalp, applied a tourniquet to bring the bones together, and closed the aperture with six stitches, finishing with adhesive plaster and leaving three openings. The only dressing ever used was cold water.

The patient was in full possession of all his faculties during the whole time, and said he experienced no pain then, or afterward, until he was entirely recovered. He visited the mill about four weeks after the accident, and soon after resumed his duties as filer and foreman, which position he still holds. He says he never lost sleep or appetite, or experienced any physical or mental pain or weakness from his wound. The doctor's theory for this wonderful case is that the wound was a clean smooth cut, unaccompanied by concussion, and that it is usually the concussion and not the incision of the brain that causes death. Believing for a year or two that the patient would die of the injury, Dr. P. did not send any statement of the case to the medical journals. Mr. Chase now seems to have as long a lease of his life as anybody.

Koumiss, the famous liquor of the Calmucks, is declared to be a certain cure for diseases of the lungs. It is made by fermenting mare's or camel's milk.

A ritualistic paper says that thirty-six Bishops of the Anglican communion now use pastoral staves, and seven of them have resolved on the use of the mitre.

Two young women, on an average, commit suicide in Paris every day in consequence of disappointed love, and one man in consequence of pecuniary embarrassments.

An English chemist, after a careful analysis of "golden-hair fluids," asserts that they are composed of diluted nitric and muriatic acids, with traces, in some instances, of sulphuric acid.

The *Planters' Banner* says the planters of Louisiana will make as much again rice in 1869 as they made last year. The crop last year was 321,911,344 sacks. A sack contains 100 pounds.

News and Other Pararagphs.

Scranton, Pennsylvania, has four postoffices.

The carpenters of Albany are on a strike for four dollars per day.

Providence, Rhode Island, is subscribing for an ovation to Burnside.

Bickerstaff, the notorious Cullen Baker's pal, has also been killed.

The infant adopted by the "Forty Thieves" at Niblo's, died last week.

It is thought the wheat crop of California will be unusually large this year.

The Sea Island cotton crops were greatly damaged by the frosts last week.

The famous London "Beefsteak Club," founded by John Rich in 1735, is dissolved.

Parepa Rosa has engaged Campbell, Castle, and the Seguins, for her new opera company.

Governor Bullock, of Georgia, was a compositor in the office of the Utica *Herald* a few years ago.

The prices of admission in the Boston Peace Jubilee have been fixed at five, three and two dollars.

The body of an nuknown white man was found in the river at Savannah, Georgia, on Tuesday last.

Dr. Cummings is turning the recent slight shocks of earthquakes in England to prophetic account.

Fmsburg, Vermont, was favored with eighty-eight inches—or seven feet four inches—of snow the past season.

Edmund Yates attributes the maternity of the "Girl of the Period" articles to the wife of Mr. Linton, the engraver.

David Hope, an old citizen of Knoxville, accidentally shot and killed himself Monday. He was seventy years old.

In Clayton county, Georgia, a house occupied by negroes took fire, and two colored persons were burned up with it.

"School" is still running at the Prince of Wales Theater in London, and shows no signs of diminishing popularity.

Four thousand two hundred and sixty-eight bales of cotton have been shipped from Forsythe, Georgia, the present season.

The gin house of Mr. Wright, in Johnson county, Georgia, containing eighty bales of cotton, was destroyed by fire last week.

Juarez, the Mexican President, is sixty-three years old, but dose not look to be over forty. He has one son and six daughters.

The Earl of Zetland has held the office of Grand Master of the Free Masons of England for twenty-five years, and is now to retire.

Butler has thirty-six volumes of telegraph dispatches that he captured when serving on the impeachment committee. These extend back several years.

Colonel Wm. D. Mann, proprietor of the Mobile *Daily Register*, married his ward, Miss Belle Jones, of Alabama, last Friday, at the Metropolitan Hotel, New York.

There is a very fatal disease prevalent among the hogs in the vicinity of McKinney, Texas, supposed to be caused by eating the roots of the young cockle-burr.

Princess Louise, daughter of Queen Victoria, is to be married on the 27th of July to the Prince Royal of Denmark. This will leave the Queen only one unmarried daughter, the Princess Beatrice.

The most horrible case of suicide occurred a few days ago in London, where a man emptied a can of paraffine oil over his person, and then set himself on fire. This is as far as anybody has yet gone.

A sharpshooter at Ogden, on the Pacific Railroad, picked off a scoundrel who had outraged his wife and daughter, just as the police were conducting him into the prison door.

A Pennsylvania farmer writes to his county paper, that he cured his daughter of the Grecian bend by pouring water on her and holding her out in the sun until she warped back again.

Chinese laborers have been employed in Plaquemines parish, Louisiana, and generally give good satisfaction. The laborers of this parish, like the mass of the population, represent a great variety of races.

A young fellow in Greenbrier county, Virginia, calling at the house of his sweetheart on the day fixed for their marriage, was surprised to be informed that she had just left with another man.

The Turnbull family have been continuous clerks of Brunswick county, Virginia, since 1736. The gentleman recently removed from office by General Sheridan was a Turnbull, and a descendant of the original clerk of one hundred and thirty-three years ago.

A charter has been granted for the incorporation in Richmond, Virginia, of a company under the name and style of the "Equality Life Insurance Company." The capital stock shall not be less than $100,000 nor more than $2,000,000, to be divided into shares of $25 each.

Two negroes, prominent in the Radical party, went before the Mayor of Brookhaven, Mississippi, the other day, and gravely inquired if Adam and Eve were both white men.

In Binasco, in Italy, is the castle where Beatrice di Tenda was tortured and put to death by her husband—on which theme Bellini wrote a very beautiful opera. At a ball in this castle lately, the musicians' gallery took fire, and sixteen out of twenty occupants were severely burned.

A curious case was before the New York courts the other day. In 1834, John and Winifred Ward were united in marriage, and immediately after the ceremony, Ward deserted his wife, and up to his death in 1864, refused to recognize the relationship existing between them. The wife, after thirty years of self-support, has now recovered $30,000 from the estate of her husband.

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ASSETS

Cash			$ 267,464 51
Real Estate in New York			1,098,000 00
Bonds and Mortgages			2,986,000 00
U. S. Securities	$2,864,500 00	Market value.	$3,354,809 75
Stock of N. Y. City Bank	38,000 00	Market value.	47,862 00
New York State Stocks	1,110,200 00	Market value.	1,172,270 00
Other Stocks	70,000 00	Market value.	41,300 00
Loans on Policies			1,227,735 62
Temporary Loans, secured by United States and other Stocks			408,500 00
Premium, due from agent (in course of transmission)			564,784 85
Deferred Premiums due subsequent to January 1, 1869			475,000 00
Interest accrued to January 1, 1869			60,446 54
Rents accrued to January 1, 1869			2,267 79
			$11,000,822 00

LIABILITIES.

Lowest adjusted and not due	$ 92,132 00
Losses unadjusted	14,500 00
Dividends payable on demand	624,456 95
Other claims	24,000 00
	$755,450 84

STATE OF NEW YORK, } ss.
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Morris Franklin, President, and William H. Beers, Actuary, of the New York Life Insurance Company, being severally duly affirmed and sworn, do severally depose and say, and each for himself says that the above statement of the said Company on the thirty-first day of December, 1868, is correct and true, according to the best of their knowledge, information and belief.

MORRIS FRANKLIN, President.
WM. H. BEERS, Vice President and Actuary

STATE OF NEW YORK, } ss.
CITY AND COUNTY OF NEW YORK. }

Be it known, that on this twenty-fourth day of February, Anno Domini, one thousand eight hundred and sixty-nine, before me, J. Leander Starr, a Notary Public in and for the State of New York, duly commissioned and sworn, residing in the city of New York, personally came MORRIS FRANKLIN and WILLIAM H. BEERS, who being by me duly affirmed and sworn, did depose and say, that the contents of the above affidavit by them subscribed were true according to the best of their knowledge, information and belief.

J. L. STARR, Notary Public.

CONTROLLER'S OFFICE, } ss.
NASHVILLE, April 1, 1869. }

I hereby certify the foregoing to be a true and correct copy of the original now on file in my office.

G. W. BLACKBURN, Controller.

STATE OF TENNESSEE, }
CONTROLLER'S OFFICE, }
NASHVILLE, Jan. 1, 1869. }

I, G. W. Blackburn, Controller of the Treasury, do hereby certify that the New York Life Insurance Company, located in New York, has produced to me satisfactory evidence that said Company has complied with all the requirements of the laws of the State of Tennessee imposed on Insurance Companies, and I further certify that D. O'DELL and J. K. P. PRITCHARD, Agents of said Company, have also complied with the requirements of the laws of the State, made and provided in such cases.

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ANNOUNCEMENTS.

WE are authorized to announce WALKER WOOD, Esq., of Tipton county, as a candidate for Attorney General of the Circuit Court of the 13th Judicial Circuit, at the May election.

HENRY G. SMITH is a candidate for the office of Judge of the Supreme Court of Tennessee, at the election to be held on the 26th day of May, 1869. mar27

HON. J. O. SHACKELFORD, having been called upon, by the Nashville Bar, to become a candidate for re-election as Judge of the Supreme Court, has accepted the call, and we are authorized to announce his name as a candidate for the office of Judge of the Supreme Court, from the middle division of the State, at the approaching Judicial election.

WE are authorized to announce the name of Hon. GEORGE ANDREWS, as a candidate for the office of Judge of the Supreme Court, from the Eastern Division, at the approaching judicial election. mar14

S. P. YEOMANS is a candidate for Prosecuting Attorney for the Municipal Court at the May election. mar24

WE are authorized to announce the Hon. W. P. BOND as a candidate for Judge of the Fourteenth Judicial Circuit, at the ensuing election in May. mar24

EDITORS AVALANCHE—You are hereby authorized to announce me as a candidate for Attorney General, of the Criminal Court at the forthcoming May elections, subject to the action of a Democratic Convention, should one be held. GEORGE E. STAHL.

WILLIAM WALLACE is a candidate for the office of Attorney General of the Criminal Court of Memphis, at the election in May. Ledger copy. mar24

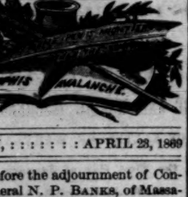
WE are authorized to announce G. P. FOUTE as a candidate for the office of Judge of the Municipal Court of Memphis, at the ensuing May election.

WE are authorized to announce the Hon. GEORGE W. REEVES as a candidate for Judge of the Circuit Court of the 15th Judicial Circuit at the ensuing May election.

WE are authorized to announce J. P. CARUTHERS as a candidate for the office of Chancellor of this county, at the election to be held in May next.

WE are authorized to announce ISAAC MORRISON, as a candidate for Judge of the Law Court of Memphis, at the ensuing May election. mar14

TO the voters of the Criminal Court District—Respectfully announce myself as a candidate for re-election as Judge of that court, on the fourth Thursday in May. J. T. SWAYNE. mar14



FRIDAY, : : : : : : APRIL 23, 1869

JUST before the adjournment of Congress General N. P. BANKS, of Massachusetts, the "hero of Grand Ecore," and at present Chairman of the Standing Committee on Foreign Affairs, offered in the House of Representatives the following sympathetic resolution, which seems peculiarly *appropriate*, seeing the attitude in which we stand to Great Britain in regard to the Alabama claims:

Resolved, by the House of Representatives, That the people of the United States sympathise with the people of Cuba in their patriotic efforts to secure their independence and establish a republican form of government, guaranteeing the personal liberty and the equal political rights of all the people; and the House of Representatives will give its constitutional support to the President of the United States whenever, in his opinion, a republican government shall have been in fact established and he may deem it expedient to recognize the independence and sovereignty of such republican government.

The rules were suspended, and the resolution passed by a vote of 98 to 24.

But the Senate did not *have time* to act upon it, and it went over of course among the unfinished business of the session. But it had played its part. The demagogue, BANKS, had been enabled to show his sympathy with a people professedly struggling to relieve themselves from a power which they abhorred, and which held over them the rod of despotic sway. It came with an excellent grace from him who had worn shoulder-straps and stars, to crush out the energies of a brave and glorious people, struggling for *their* liberty and independence! Was there ever a more distinct and definite application of the principle that "circumstances alter cases?" It was not my ox that gored your bull, but your bull that gored my ox! In the Senate Mr. SUMNER, from the same State—the fortunate and favored State of Massachusetts—and likewise chairman of the Committee on Foreign Relations, of the body to which he belongs, berated Great Britain for her precipitancy in recognizing the belligerent rights of the Confederacy, and would have the most abject apology for the blunder. And yet, that recognition was not bestowed until after large and well disciplined armies had been repeatedly defeated, and the cowardly wretches at Washington trembled in their boots lest the Confederate flag should float from the National capitol. In the discussion of SUMNER'S speech, CHANDLER, the irrepressible Senator from Michigan, uttered the old Shibboleth that was so potent in the crusade against slavery, that "the American Continent was too small to hold the two sovereignties," thus breaking ground in favor of wresting the British possessions in America from their rightful ownership, in consideration of the Alabama claims and the Puritan doctrine; "we must have it because we want it, and can govern it better than you can." With what face can the asseveration be persisted in, after the adoption of BANKS' resolution by the House of Representatives, that Great Britain's precipitancy in recognizing the belligerent rights of the seceded States, and her permitting vessels to be built in her waters by her shipwrights for Confederate service, although they were unarmed until beyond the prescribed limits, that she is under national obligations for all the property seized and destroyed by the Confederate cruisers, and should come with bended knee in her contriteness and humbly apologize for her short-comings? WARNER, a carpet-bagger from Newark, Ohio, but representing Alabama in the Senate, was particularly bellicose, in the discussion (we never heard of him afloat or ashore, when there was danger to his sweet-scented person), and thought: "If he were President he would, in his instructions to Mr. MOTLEY, say not to take any further trouble in reference to the settlement of the question. Let it go by. If England wishes to open the negotiation let her do so; if not Americans can afford to wait the day of reckoning; and altogether he was in favor of holding a whip over her." "Hold a whip over her" is good—very good. The statesmen of Great Britain will laugh at the silly twaddle that found vent in the American Senate, where once stood CALHOUN, WEBSTER and CLAY, and the host of mammoth minds and hearts scarcely inferior to the great triumvirate. It has been handed down almost as a maxim, that a Nation of traders is necessarily a Nation of cowards—that for the protection of their commerce they will submit to almost any humiliation rather than resort to to arbitrament of the sword. But those who place JOHNNY BULL in this category reckon without their host. It may be that reluctance is felt to disturb the peaceful relations that should exist and be cultivated among Nations, and especially where they sprung from the same stock, speak the same language, have many of the same traditions, worship God with the same forms and ceremonies, and are protected and governed by almost similar institutions. But the great men of Great Britain have a high sense of honor, and it is yet to be shown where she has ever yielded a foot of ground save at the point of the bayonet. In our 54:40 negotiation or fight, we modestly dropped down to 49°. Nor was our territory materially enlarged in the settlement of the Aroostook difficulties. If we have a morbid appetite for the acquisition of territory, is it very irrational to suppose that the people from whom we sprang, have some sort of a similar hankering? Or are we content to abide by the Puritan doctrine: "Do as I say, and not as I do?" and flatter ourselves that those who have as much pride as ourselves will patiently or timidly submit? But how long is it since Massachusetts, which does not now seem averse to swallowing at one mouthful the vast possessions of the North, including the hyperborean regions where the seal and seahorse divide the realm with the Hudson Bay Company, was averse to any extension of territory at all? Has that statute ever been cancelled or expunged, declaring her severance from the hated Union, if Texas should be annexed? A strange, inconsistent change has come over the spirit of her dream since then, and she and her affiliated neighbors have learned well the couplet:

"No pent-up Utica contracts our powers,
But the whole boundless continent is ours."

According to Chandler, of Michigan, the continent is too limited for *les deux puissances*. What is the inference? That the first pretext will be availed of to hurl the British power from the Canadas—the new Dominion—and all north to the frozen ocean, and annex the territory thus acquired by violence to the United States. It is an idle dream to think that Great Britain will not exert her vast energies, and employ her immense resources, for the preservation of her authority. She will have an ally in Spain, which will have cause for resentment, in the avaricious eye turned upon Cuba, and the declaration of sympathy for the insurgents, rushed through the House with precipitate haste by Mr. BANKS, chairman of the Committee on Foreign Relations. His resolution not only recognizes them as belligerents, but expresses profound sympathy, and volunteers in advance a readiness to acknowledge their independence. This comes with excellent grace from a Massachusetts man in one House, when that other Massachusetts man, SUMNER, chairman of the Committee on Foreign Relations in the other House, uses such language as this toward Great Britain:

> England should be called upon to admit she was in the wrong, in recognizing the Confederates as belligerents—rebel cruisers were built in British ports, equipped with British armaments, manned with British seamen, got to sea under British colors, sheltered and provided with stores in ports of British islands and colonies, and well known to have first escaped to sea in violation of England's neutrality laws, and were permitted by British vessels of war to pursue their career of destruction without molestation.

How does this stand in juxtaposition with BANKS' resolution? Can National inconsistency and self-stultification go farther? A plea may be set up for Canada that its people desire to be annexed to the United States, and it will be for their advantage, but cannot the British statesmen point to the fact that eight millions of people at the South struggled for four years, with frequent prospects of success, for their independence of a power which they hated, and still holds them in an abject and degraded position, prescribing the most humiliating conditions for every pretended benefit or prospect of a voice in the Government? The readiness with which the Radical House seconded BANKS' proposition, was only equaled by its haste in repealing the Tenure-of-Office law by about the same vote, from which it may be strongly inferred that the administration of GRANT that desired the one, is not averse to the other. It is already rumored, with striking indications of confirmation, that two powerful organizations are even now being provided to make a descent simultaneously on the Queen of the Antilles in behalf of the insurgents, and that the administration winks at this "dreadful note of preparation." Are we so ostrich-blind and stupid as not to know that British statesmen are aware of all this? Here is an old Latin maxim: *Quem Deus vult perdere prius dementat*—whom the Gods will to destroy they first deprive of reason—and such seems to be the predicament in which the Radical Lilliputian statesmen stand.

THE Louisville *Democrat* is no more. The controlling interest has been purchased by Mr. WALTER G. OVERTON, for a long time connected with the Louisville *Courier*, and its special Washington correspondent, who has changed the title to the Louisville *Evening Express*, thereby reviving the paper he published successfully in 1862, until suppressed by the military authorities, and its publisher and principal editor imprisoned, "not for what he printed, but for what it was thought he wanted to print," which was so summary that no opportunity for explanation was allowed. Mr. OVERTON is a thorough newspaper man, in the meridian of life, of the highest business capacity, and familiar to the people of Louisville. In a brief salutatory he says his paper "must stand or fall on its own merits—if it shall meet the requirements of the community it will command success, and if it does not, it will not deserve it." He further adds, relative to the political course chalked down for his paper:

> The *Express* will support the policy of the Democratic party on all National issues. It will oppose the usurpations of Congress, and denounce their class and corrupt legislation. It will determinedly oppose the wicked purpose of the Radical party to force negro suffrage and negro equality on an unwilling people. It will be for a white man's government and for the old Constitution as understood by our fathers and interpreted by the Democratic party.

Mr. OVERTON fully sympathized with the Southern people in their struggle for independence, and was among the first to go to the front. Being naturally affected with nearness of vision, he was not well calculated for the life of a soldier, but his heart was in the cause, and it should be remembered with grateful appreciation by the Southern people, who will find his paper of the highest character and worthy the most liberal support. We wish him an abundant harvest in the field of enterprise he has entered, and from his thorough knowledge of the business, cannot for a moment doubt a realization of his expectations.

WHEN so few years have intervened since the civilized world was startled by the herculean efforts made for independence by the Southern people, who found themselves unequal to the task of defending their constitutional rights in Congress, and expecting no aid from the newly elected Chief Magistrate, adopted the only course left, of withdrawing from the compact, is it not remarkable that such a paragraph as the following should now occur in an elaborate article on Cuba, in the Cincinnati *Commercial*, which was one of the most truculent enemies the South had?

> The general sentiment that European Powers must cease to govern on this side of the Atlantic is shared by the people of North and South America alike. Spain has made herself especially odious in the treatment of her colonies, and she owes the loss of her South American possessions chiefly to the rigor of the measures devised to hold them. It is as true of Cuba as of Peru and Chili and Venezuela, that the entire population have been systematically excluded from public stations, denied representation or voice in Government, and burdened with taxes to sustain a rapacious set of Spanish officials who enriched themselves at the expense of the people they governed. It is no recent grievance, no imagined wrong, that has induced the natives to appeal to arms. It is of forty years' standing, and like our ancestors they have petitioned and remonstrated without avail.
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> We will not recur to events before the war, but look at the present condition of the Southern States. Are not *our* people "systematically excluded from public stations, denied representation or a voice in Government, and burdened with taxes" to sustain a "set" of unprincipled scalawags and carpet-baggers, and as greedy a lot of harpies as the Spanish or any other "officials who enriched themselves at the expense of the people they governed?" Are the Cubans any better than our people, more intelligent and enlightened, and more deserving to be free?

THE Buffalo *Commercial Advertiser* of the 12th, (by the way a dignified, and to our mind, a decidedly independent Radical paper, that was once Mr. FILLMORE'S organ), falls into a singular error as to a historical fact, in the following paragraph. Referring to the proclamation of the President convening the Senate in executive session "on the 12th day of April next," thereby making it 1870, instead of 1869, (which *lapsus* it notices) it says:

> This power has been exercised nine times since the organization of the Government; by Washington, March 4, 1789; by John Adams, May 15, 1797; by Madison, May, 1809; and again in May, 1813; by Van Buren, in September, 1837; by Harrison, in May, 1841; by Franklin Pierce, August, 1853; by Lincoln, in July, 1861, and now by Grant. We believe that but two of these occasions were exclusively for the consideration of Executive nominations, viz.: the session of May, 1841, and the present one.

When it is remembered that HARRISON died just one month after his inauguration, this "slip" of the *Advertiser*, which undertakes to correct the "official system," will appear a little remarkable. Mr. TYLER, by virtue of the succession of the Vice President, became President on the 4th of April. The instances certainly have been more frequent than "nine times," wherein the Senate went in Executive session, after the customary regular adjournment of Congress. We never made a note of them, however, and do not deem it a matter of sufficient moment to incite any definite inquiry or investigation.

WE not only find articles in Democratic papers, but frequently in the more intelligent and respectable of the Radical journals, admitting the great popularity of ex-President JOHNSON, (except with office seekers,) and especially the favorable impression he has created on his tour through Tennessee. The New York *Times*, very Republican, says of this tour: "The fact is the Southern people regard the ex-President as their friend and defender against a 'despotic Congress,' led by STEVENS and BUTLER; and they consider that, though he failed, it was after a tremendous fight for them, in which he himself sacrificed everything. There is no doubt that he will be back in the Senate before the close of President GRANT'S term."

SPEAKING of ASHLEY, the GRANT Governor of Montana, who squeezed through the Senatorial confirmation by one vote, the Buffalo *Commercial Advertiser* says:

> We don't suppose the new Governor of Montana Territory is capable of a blush, but we hope he has the grace to feel like a detected sneak, though he is allowed to walk off with the plunder. His infamy is notorious. It was exposed under his own hand, even while he was yet speaking with pious unction in favor of impeaching Andrew Johnson for conduct unworthy of his exalted position. * * * This venality on the part of the highly virtuous impeacher was well known to the Senate—it had been thoroughly exposed—but yet he was confirmed, though by one vote only, and after a bitter debate, be it remarked to the credit of the body!

This is honorable in the Buffalo paper, but it would have been more creditable to the Senate if it had *rejected* the nomination "though by one vote only."

ON our first page will be found another able article from the pen of Major SYKES, on subjects in which every reader of the AVALANCHE should feel a deep interest. The writer reasons clearly and forcibly. It is such articles that are calculated to interest progressive men, and to attract attention to our city from abroad, as a place of future great manufacturing and mercantile importance.

PEACHES.—The Illinois *State Register* of the 17th, congratulates the people of the central portion of the State on the prospect of an unusually abundant crop of this delicious fruit, and says that in Southern Illinois, where it was thought they were all killed, there will be a full average crop.

Train makes out his bill against the Union Pacific Railroad for $1,000,000.

A chaplain in Madras proposes to cut up the surplices of his choir to make shirts for the school children.

There are 30,000 gas burners in the streets of Paris, to keep which alight last year cost the city 4,400,000 francs.

The long gauntlet kid glove, with innumerable small gilt buttons, are very fashionable just at present among the ladies.

In England clergymen may be transported for fourteen years for marrying people after twelve m, without special license.

Nineteen Protestant girls were baptized into the Catholic faith, in St. Phillip's Church, Philadelphia, on Sunday week.

TAXES IN MISSISSIPPI.

Important Order from the Department Commander.

HEADQUARTERS 4TH MILITARY DIST.,
JACKSON, MISS., April 14, 1869.
General Orders No. 28.]

The amount of poll tax levied under the existing laws of this State, for State, county and municipal purposes being deemed exorbitant and oppressive on the poorer classes, it is hereby ordered:

That the following clause in an act approved February 21, 1867, entitled "An act to amend an act entitled an act to raise a revenue to defray the expenses of the Government of the State of Mississippi, approved December 5, 1865," be annulled, viz:

"On each and every male inhabitant of this State between the ages of twenty-one years and fifty-five years the sum of two dollars, except disabled State and Confederate soldiers; to be assessed and collected in accordance with the provisions of the act to which this is an amendment."

And in lieu thereof tax collectors will be governed by the following:

"On each and every male inhabitant of this State, between the ages of twenty-one and fifty-five years, the sum of one dollar to be assessed and collected in accordance with the provisions of the Revised Code of 1857, for assessing and collecting a poll tax on free white persons."

It is further ordered, That the special tax which the Boards of Police are authorized to levy by Article 22, page 417, of the Revised Code of 1857, shall not, so far as relates to poll tax, exceed fifty per centum of the State tax as established by this order. It is not the intention to deprive Boards of Police of authority conferred upon them by Article 16, page 416, of the Revised Code of 1857, to levy a tax for county purposes not exceeding the State tax as fixed by this order.

It is further ordered that no poll or capitation tax shall be levied by the corporate authorities of any city or town in this State.

It is further ordered that the tax collectors of the several counties of this State and of the several cities and towns therein, shall be governed by the provisions of this order from and after its receipt by them. All proceedings which may have been instituted for the collection of taxes, shall, so far as they relate to poll tax in excess of what is required in this order, be discontinued. Tax collectors will continue the collection of so much of the taxes heretofore assessed and levied for State, county, and municipal purposes as shall not be in conflict with the provisions of of this order.

And it is further ordered, That upon the receipt of this order, the Tax-Collector, Probate Clerk and President of the Board of Police for each county, or in case of vacancy in either of the last named offices, the Tax-Collector and the remaining officer, shall forthwith prepare a schedule of the names of all persons within the county who have, prior to the receipt of this order, failed to pay the poll tax assessed upon them according to the last assessment roll, and the amount thereof; one copy of which will be forwarded to the Auditor of Public Accounts, one to be filed in the office of the Probate Clerk and one to be retained by the Tax-Collector.

The receipt of this order will be acknowledged by letter to the Acting Assistant Adjutant General at these headquarters.

By command of Brevet Major General AMES:
WILLIAM ATWOOD,
Aide-de-Camp,
Acting Ass't Adj't General.

One of Grant's Appointments—Jeremy Diddler Come Again.

From the New York Sun, (Rep.)

President Grant sent to the Senate for confirmation, the other day, the appointment of James Wadsworth to be United States Marshal for the Southern District of New York. As the office is a responsible and lucrative one, some rather searching inquiries have since been made into Mr. Wadsworth's history and character, with a result which has so far by no means rendered the Senate favorable to the nomination. The *Sun* has also been prosecuting inquiries on its own account, some of the results of which it published yesterday morning, while it has more still to bring forward.

Among the documents in our hands relating to the subject, is Mr. Wadsworth's official list of his creditors, furnished in the course of proceedings commenced by him on the 30th of May, 1868, to procure his discharge from debts under the United States bankrupt law. The list contains the names of one hundred and more creditors, and the total amount owing them comes to $383,574. Nearly four hundred thousand dollars of debt is a tolerably heavy burden for a man to carry on his shoulders in addition to the duties of a public office, and it is no wonder that Mr. Wadsworth should want to get rid of it.

The perusal of this list of one hundred debts and upward gives rise to much interesting speculation as to the manner in which they were contracted. How could a lawyer—for that was Mr. Wadsworth's profession—possibly get hold of and lose or spend $383,000 of other people's money? The answer to this question is plain enough to any one who has seen the farce of "Raising the Wind." Like Jeremy Diddler, Mr. Wadsworth seems to have given his whole mind to the art of borrowing, and to have depended on it for a living.

One illustration of his many devices is connected with an item of three hundred dollars, which appears on the list as due to John E. Williams, Esq., the respected President of the Metropolitan Bank of this city. Wadsworth had an office in that neighborhood, and was, in consequence, known to Mr. Williams. One morning he came in a great hurry and said to him: "Mr. Williams, my boy, who keeps the key of my safe, has not come in yet, and I want to use right away three hundred dollars that I have got locked up there." Will you be good enough to lend me the money till I can get down?" Thrown off his guard by this plausible story, Mr. Williams handed over the three hundred dollars, and that was the last he saw of it.

With this clue to the nature of Wadsworth's operations one begins to comprehend many curious things. About twenty-five different places seem to have been visited by him at different times, from Buffalo to Boston, and Putney, Vermont, to Baltimore. The heaviest item is one of $68,185 due to E. C. Thomas, of Baltimore, and the next heaviest one of $65,436, due to the estate of E. Walden, of Buffalo, deceased. Then there appears to be owing the estate of General James S. Wadsworth $23,382, which shows that the distinguished relative of the bankrupt was not quite so badly treated as some other people. We regret to see that our friend Robert Hoe, the printing press builder, is down for $634, and James Brown for $2,000. A woman, Abbie B. Gildersleeve, figures for $2,500, and there are a number of small sums of about $100 owing to tailors, haberdashers, furniture makers, and even brother lawyers, which shows that Wadsworth did not respect the old maxim, "Hawks do not pick out hawks' eyes."

We have not brough up these matters from any personal hostility to Mr. Wadsworth. Indeed, so ignorant were we of them, that several weeks since we signed a petition for his appointment to this very office, adding our name to those of a number of respectable citizens. But when facts like these are brought to our knowledge respecting a man who has been nominated to so responsible a place, we hold it to be our duty to lay them before the public."

Roman Catholic cathedrals are in course of erection at Pekin and Canton, China. The estimated cost of each is $3,000,000.

Don Piatt says: "Jay Cooke, the gallows and pantaloons are evidences of civilization."

J. R. Clay, the colored man nominated as Minister to Liberia, has declined the honor.

Miss Mary McVickers' new song, "The Willows," has proved very popular with the patrons of Booth's Theater.

TELEGRAPH.

MIDNIGHT DISPATCHES

WASHINGTON.

Death of an American Naval Officer in Naples—Gold Purchases—Rejections, Confirmations, Etc.

WASHINGTON, April 21.—Private advices here announce the death of Captain Henry A. Wise, formerly Chief of Ordnance Bureau, Navy Department. He died at Naples, April 1st.

The Secretary of the Treasury will receive sealed proposals for the purchase of gold until noon of Thursday next, in sums not less than $5,000—payments to be made in United States notes or three per cent. certificates. The successful bidders will be required to deposit five per cent. of the amount of the purchase on the day of sale. Like proposals will be received every Thursday till otherwise advised.

The Senate was a long time in executive session this p.m., debating the nomination of Henry S. Sanford as Minister to Spain. It was finally laid on the table by yeas 36, nays 20.

The Senate also rejected the nomination of J. P. Jones, of Illinois, as Minister to Belgium; and confirmed S. A. Hurlbut, Minister to Guatemala; W. H. Wadsworth, Commissioner under the convention with Mexico.

Ex-Secretary Stanton testified, in the Dyer court martial, that he appointed Dyer, because of his fitness, to the Ordnance Bureau.

The Senate postponed the consideration of the San Juan treaty till December.

NEW YORK.

Underwriters Election—Resolutions—Mail Detention.

NEW YORK, April 22.—The National Board of Underwriters to-day elected the following officers for the ensuing year, which was reported by the Committee on Nominations: President, James M. McLean; Vice President, L. J. Hindle; Treasurer, J. S. Parish; Secretary, W. Connor, jr. After a long debate on the subject of commissions, a resolution was adopted as the sense of the meeting that ten per cent. commissions on the gross premiums be allowed agents, and five per cent. to brokers, with no rebate whatever, and that the Executive Committee be authorized to see if this reduction cant be made the rule of all companies composing the Board.

A resolution to provide for the appointment of an Executive manager and an advising board of nine members was adopted. A resolution was adopted that no company be allowed to take any risks under the tariff rates. The Chicago compact, with penalties attached, was adopted. The Board then adjourned till Friday.

The mails West by way of Albany and Buffalo will be delayed a day or two on account of the late freshets. There is no detention on the Erie road, and the western mails are all up.

OTTAWA.

Stirring up Fenianism—The Frontiers.

OTTAWA, April 22.—In the House of Commons last night Mr. Gall gave notice that on Friday next he would give papers relating to the cost of defraying further and subsequent expenses of the Fenian mission as constituting a claim against the United States. He said the object was to give the members an opportunity of speaking on the subject of the views of Senators Chandler and Spaulding as expressed in the United States Senate on Monday last.

Sir John McDonald said it was not the intention of the Government to recommend the commutation of the sentence of Father McMahon and other Fenians.

The bill to amend an act authorizing the extradition of criminals charged with offenses against the United States was introduced and read the first time.

THE WATERS.

Hudson and Merrimac Rivers Astonishing the Natives.

CONCORD, April 22.—Greatest flood in Merrimac since 1852. The Vermont Central and Northern Railroad trains embargoed. Mails and passengers detained. A raft of 915,000 logs belonging to Mr. Barron, at White River Junction, carried away.

ALBANY, April 22.—Greatest flood here since 1857, and the water is still rising one inch per hour. The Hudson River Railroad is submerged at different points between here and Stuyvesant—in some places it is washed away. Several bridges on the Central road were carried away. Travel is entirely suspended. The flood along the valley of the Mohawk is the greatest ever known. The Central Railroad track is under water for miles. No trains Tuesday night. The Rensaalier and Saratoga Railroad is five feet under water between here and Troy.

FOREIGN.

LONDON, April 22.—The proposed loan to the Spanish Government of eight million pounds sterling was introduced to-day in the London market, by S. J. Morgan, and is a great success.

The Oxford boat crew have accepted an American challenge for a four-oared race in August next.

The bullion in bank has increased sixty thousand pounds sterling since last week.

MADRID, April 22.—In a debate on the the constitution of Cortes, Senor Fignas, the Republican leader, said the only alternative left the majority in Cortes was to restore the Bourbons or inaugurate a Republic. Senor Comilles, of the majority, replied that the restoration of the Bourbons was impossible, and that a Republic would be a calamity. The majority will succeed in obtaining a King.

LATER.

The article of the constitution guaranteeing universal suffrage has been carried almost unanimously, only fourteen Deputies dissenting.

HAVANA.

A Rumor of Surrender Denied.

HAVANA, April 22.—The following news is official: The news of the surrender of Villamil, Casanoma and Junca, with six hundred of their followers, is premature. At the last accounts the agreement between the insurgents and the Spanish had not been completed.

ST. LOUIS.

Large Premiums for Prize Hogs.

ST. LOUIS, April 22.—The pork packers and provision dealers of this city have subscribed $1,650, to be awarded as a premium for hogs at the fair of the St. Louis Agricultural and Mechanical Association, to be held in this city next October. This sum sum is in addition to the regular prizes of the Association.

BOSTON.

Important Meeting of the U. P. R. R. Officials.

BOSTON, April 22.—The stockholders of the Union Pacific Railroad held a meeting here this morning, and after adopting different amendments to charter, authorized by Congress, adjourned until to-morrow for choice of officers.

THE RIVERS.

CAIRO, April 22.—Down: Thompson Dean, seven p. m. yesterday; Mary Alice, four p. m.; Lizzie Gill, seven p. m. Up: Belle Memphis, one a. m.; Norman, six a. m.; W. R. Arther, three p. m.; Atlantic, four p. m.; Cairo, six p. m. River rose eighteen inches.

LOUISVILLE, April 22.—Down: Minnesota. Weather clear.

CINCINNATI, April 22.—Arrived: Darling. River falling; twenty-three and a half feet of water in channel. Weather clear.

NEW ORLEANS, April 22. — Departed: Mississippi for St. Louis.

ST. LOUIS, April 22.—Arrived: Belle Memphis, Clarksville. Departed: Luminary. River stationery and upper streams falling. Weather clear.

GRANBY, CANADA.

Eleven Persons Fall from a Bridge and Drown.

GRANBY, CANADA, April 22.—While a number of persons were congregated on a principal bridge at this place last evening, watching the flood, one end gave way, precipitating eleven persons into the water; the river being very swift and the water unusually high, no assistance could be rendered and the whole number were quickly carried out of sight and drowned.

CONGRESSIONAL.

SENATE.

WASHINGTON, April 22.—Mr. Nye obtained the floor to make a personal explanation, and sarcastically replied to Mr. Sprague's allusion to him in the Senate as a charlatan, and at the serenade as a harlequin. Mr. Nye also, at considerable length, defended the Senate, the profession of law and the reputation of General Burnside, and the Rhode Island soldiers. He criticised and ridiculed the assertions of the Senator from Rhode Island in view of the virtue and prosperity of the country. He spoke altogether nearly an hour.

Mr. Chandler then, as a former member of the Committee on the Conduct of the War, briefly eulogized the bravery and skill of General Burnside.

Mr. Abbott followed in similar strain at some length.

Mr. Morton also spoke warmly in praise of General Burnside, and commended especially his brave assumption of responsibility of the Fredericksburg disaster.

Mr. Sprague took the floor and proceeded to read from manuscript a speech, reiterating his former charges against monopolists and their defenders in the Senate, referring with special bitterness to the presiding officer. He also compared the attack of Nye on him to the barking of a puppy dog encouraged by the presence of a mastiff. In vindication of the soundness of his views he read complimentary letters addressed to him by the National Board of Trade, and many individuals throughout the land.

At the conclusion of Mr. Sprague's speech the Secretary read some remarks of Mr. Brownlow in vindication of Governor Burnside.

Mr. Cameron spoke briefly to the same purport.

At two o'clock the Senate proceeded to executive business.

MARKETS BY TELEGRAPH.

NEW YORK MARKETS.

NEW YORK, April 22.—Cotton heavy; upland, 28½@28¾c. Flour, $5 25@5 65. Whisky nominal. Wheat lower, $1 28@1 48. Corn, 80@85c. Rye dull. Coffee firm. Porto Rico sugar, 12½c. New Orleans molasses, 67@68c.

Money—More active owing to heavy calling in of loans; general rate was 7 per cent., currency; but at the close there were exceptional transactions at coin interest. Reports of another locking up of greenbacks were current as also that the Broad street combination have gone heavily short of New York Central, Reading, Pacific Mail and other stocks. Sterling steady, 8¼@8½ for prime. Gold broke this evening on telegrams from Washington that the Treasury will sell gold every Thursday until further notice. It opened at 134¾, closed at 133¾@133¾. Clearances, $123,000,000. State bonds higher and active; old Tennessees, 69¼@70; new, 68¾@69.

NEW ORLEANS MARKETS.

NEW ORLEANS, April 22.—Higher grades cotton scarce and unchanged; lower grades weaker; middlings, 28¾c. Sales, 2,500 bales. Receipts, 512 bales. Exports, 6,292 bales. Gold, 134¾. Sterling, 45@45¼; New York sight, ½@¾ premium. Flour dull, superfine, $5 70; XX, $6 12; XXX, $6 50. Corn firmer; white, 77@78c. Oats firmer, 70@71c. Bran scarce, $1 40@1 50. Hay firm, $28. Pork quiet and firm, $32. Bacon quiet but firm, 15½, 17¼ and 17¾c. Lard dull; tierce, 18@19c; keg, 19¼@20½c. Sugar dull; common, 9@10c; prime, 13½c. Molasses, fermenting, 65c. Whisky dull; corn rectified, 85@90c. Coffee quiet but firm; fair, 15@15¾c; prime, 17@17½c.

CINCINNATI MARKETS.

CINCINNATI, April 22.—Flour, $6 50@6 75. Corn, 70c. Oats, 66@70c. Whisky, 90c. Pork, $31. Bulk meats, 12½@14½c. Bacon, 13½, 16½@17c. Lard held at 18c. Groceries unchanged. Rye, $1 30@1 40. Butter, 33@37c. Eggs, 16c. Beef cattle, $4@7 25. Hogs, 10@11c.

ST. LOUIS MARKETS.

ST. LOUIS, April 22.—Flour, $4 75. Wheat, $1 56@1 60. Corn, 66@67c. Oats, 62@65c. Barley, $1 85. Rye, $1 23@1 25. Whisky, 87@87½c. Groceries unchanged. Pork, $31 50. Bulk meats, loose—clear rib 15½c. Bacon, 13¼, 16¾ and 17c. Lard stiff.

CHICAGO MARKETS.

CHICAGO, April 22.—Flour, $6@6 25. Wheat, $1 04¼. Corn, 46@48c. Oats, 55¼@55½c. Rye, $1 18@1 18½. Barley, $1 45. Highwines, 87@88c. Molasses, not fixed. Sugar, 15@15¾c. Pork, $30 50@30 75. Hams 15½c. Bulk shoulders, 11¾@11½c; sides, 14c. Lard, 18c.

LOUISVILLE MARKETS.

LOUISVILLE, April 22.—Tobacco—sales 144 hhds at $4 80@14 75. Flour, $5 50@6. Oats, 67@68c. Corn, 66@67c. Prime sugar, 14½c. Pork, $31 50. Lard, 18¼c. Bacon, 13¾, 17 and 17½c. Bulk meats, 12¾, 16 and 16½c. Whisky, 91c. Wheat, $1 40@1 50.

LONDON MARKETS.

LONDON, April 22.—Consols closed at 93¼@93¾. Bonds, 80.

HAVRE MARKETS.

HAVRE, April 22.—Cotton on spot 145f.

LIVERPOOL MARKETS.

LIVERPOOL, April 22. — Cotton dull; uplands, 12d. Orleans, 12¾d. Sales 7,000 bales.

AN ENGLISH HORROR.

The Late Dreadful Colliery Explosion—Twenty-eight Dead Bodies Brought Out.

From the London Times, April 2.]

WIGAN, THURSDAY.—Still another dreadful colliery catastrophe, causing the death of at least twenty persons, has occurred this morning in the South Lancashire district—an explosion of gas in the fiery Arley mine, of the seam in which so many fatalities have recently happened. At seven o'clock the usual indications on the pit bank showed the Highbrooks colliery, belonging to Messrs. Mercer & Evans, and situated in Park Lane, Ashton-in-Mackerfield, a short distance from the boundary of the borough of Wigan, had "fired," and the news spread with startling rapidity, even for a colliery explosion, throughout the district, so that the pit bank was quickly crowded with the friends and relatives of the men who were employed at that pit. Seventy men worked at the pit; about one-half of these were brought to bank uninjured; some fifteen others were recovered, fearfully burnt or suffering from the effects of the chokedamp, and the remaining twenty, at the time of writing, are immured in the workings, where the slowly advancing exploring party are discovering their bodies one by one.

A more unfortunate colliery than the Highbrooks does not exist in the neighborhood. It stands about a mile from the high road from Ashton to Wigan, at the top of a single line of railway that runs from the central offices. It was here in 1865 that over one hundred colliers were imprisoned several days by the breakage of the machinery, and here also in 1860 an explosion occurred by which thirty persons lost their lives. An adjacent colliery belonging to the firm was on fire for many months, so that Messrs. Mercer & Evans have of recent years been very considerable sufferers. The Highbrooks Colliery consists of two shafts—an upcast and a downcast, both originally sunk to work the Orrell five-feet seam, which is found in the upcast at a distance of 280 yards from the surface. In the downcast, however, it was found that a fault occurred which had the effect of throwing the Orrell four-feet, or Arley Mine, which should lie sixty yards below the five-feet to a point sixty yards above it, or at least 120 feet out of its ordinary position.

The mining of this four feet seam has been a matter of no ordinary difficulty, for, as the work has progressed, fault after fault has obstructed the progress of the work. The seam, too, so notably a gaseous one, has had to be got with the greatest caution, and every means has been adopted which could be suggested to secure the safety of the workmen. All the lamps were locked and examined by the fireman, so collier was allowed to fire a shot unless the fireman had first examined his place and given him permission, and care was taken to secure the services of the most competent men and underlookers and their assistants. If with all these precautions an explosion has occurred, as is believed, at the firing of a shot under proper superintendence, the fact will go far to prove the desirability of the entire abolition of blasting in a seam with so fatal a reputation.

The fireman, Richard Gortley, yesterday morning made his customary examination of the four-feet seam, commencing his examination at four o'clock, and afterward returning to the pit-eye to lock the lamps of the colliers when they descended the shaft to their work. Several shots, it is stated, were made ready for firing on the previous evening, and Gortley was asked to superintend the ignition of these as soon as possible. He went to consult with a brother fireman on the pit bank, and then descended as soon as possible. He left the pit-eye and proceed to the southerly part of the workings for the purpose of examining the places in order to give the necessary sanction to the firing. Immediately after this the explosion occurred—how, cannot at present be told, for the whole of the men and boys employed in the part into which

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Spotswood Hotel, Richmond, Va.
Lamar House, Knoxville, Tenn.
St. Charles Hotel, Cairo, Illinois.
Parker House, Boston, Mass.
Scruggs House, Corinth, Miss.

We have received assurances from the secretaries of most of these boards and proprietors of hotels that files have been prepared and will be kept there for special purpose. We make this known that any of our home readers traveling abroad may know where to look for the AVALANCHE.

The WEEKLY AVALANCHE is one of the most complete papers published in the South, and, at the price, is the cheapest—only two dollars per annum. Our list of subscribers is daily increasing rapidly, and while thankful to our friends, who take such an interest in our success, we feel determined to put forth new efforts and lend a helping hand to meet the growing demands and improved tastes of the reading and business public.

Sand's Ale Depot, No. 3 Howard's Row.

New goods at B. Lowenstein & Bro.'s.

Real lace points. Menken Bros. tf

The place to get an elegant meal is the St. Charles.

Mrs. T. S. Cline's Testimonial, Wednesday April 28.—Comic opera, in three acts of "Grand Duchess of Gerolstein" and a two act comedy. New Memphis Theater.

A NEW TRUSS.—The new truss for which a patent has just been issued to J. L. McAlaney is pronounced by leading physicians to be superior to any article of the kind in use, and to be a very remarkable invention. It can be seen at Mr. McAlaney's office, No. 279 Main street. State and county rights can be obtained on easy terms, by application as above.

ANOTHER RACE.—Persons visiting the city to attend the races we respectfully refer to the St. Charles Eating House, corner Second and Jefferson streets, as the best place, by far, to get a good meal. Strangers, customers, and the public generally, are solicited.

WARDLAW & KINGDON,
4t Proprietors.

Bargains at B. Lowenstein & Bro's. tf

Great reduction in dress goods.
tf MENKEN BROS.

Satin parasols $3 50, at M. Kraus & Co.'s, 218 Main street, corner of Adams.

MEETING OF THE DEMOCRATIC EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE OF SHELBY COUNTY.—The following named gentlemen, composing the Democratic Executive Committee of Shelby county, will please meet at the office of the undersigned, in the Lee Block, Union street, twelve o'clock on Friday, the 23d instant, for consultation: Jesse Page, jr., A. Woodward, Robert Goode, N. S. Bruce, A. Seessel, Paul Cicalla. Members of the press are invited to attend.

WM. RICHARDSON HUNT,
2t Chm'n. Ex. Committee.

Reduction in bleached muslins.
tf MENKEN BROS.

Dry goods reduced at B. Lowenstein & Bro's. tf

Striped poplins 50c, worth 75c, at M. Kraus & Co's., 218 Main street, corner of Adams.

The best musical amateur talent in Memphis volunteers in the choruses in the "Grand Duchess of Gerolstein," for Mrs. T. S. Cline's testimonial Wednesday.

CONSERVATIVE MASS MEETING.—By virtue of the authority in me vested as a member of the State Central Democratic Committee, representing the Eighth Congressional District, and in obedience to the request of many citizens, I do hereby call a meeting of the citizens of the whole county of Shelby, at the Assembly Hall, on Main street, Memphis, on Saturday evening, at two o'clock, for the purpose of nominating and appointing an Executive Committee for the Conservative party of Shelby county, preparatory for the ensuing Judicial campaign. All good citizens are invited to co-operate.

M. D. L. STEWART,
of State Central Committee.

New goods at B. Loweinstein & Bro's.
tf

The largest assortment and best hats in the city at Francisco & Wiggin's. 3t

Mozambiques at reduced prices. Menken Bros. tf

Good article ten-quarter bleached sheeting 50c, at M. Kraus & Co's., 218 Main street, corner of Adams.

RACES.—Strangers attending the races will find the Southern Hotel very comfortable, and the rates of charges very low. Board per week, $10; per day, $2 50. The street cars leave the hotel every ten minutes for the race track. Free passes to our hotel guests. Rooms 75 cents to $1 per day without board. L. C. Hardwick & Co. are sure to please. 9t

FOR THE LADIES.—The ladies, now that spring has come, should be reminded that at M. Kraus & Co.'s, 218 Main street, they can get all kinds of seasonable dry goods and articles of ladies' wear. This establishment is conducted in compliance with the modes of doing business in the best New York houses, and all visitors will be pleased with the prompt, polite and agreeable mode of waiting that distinguishes this excellent establishment, which deserves to be well patronized, as its merits are of the highest order.

All-wool cassimeres 75c, at M. Kraus & Co's., 218 Main street, corner of Adams.

Wamsutta muslin reduced.
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Music, singing and dancing, and an elegant comedy bill for Wednesday. Ladies' fashionable night, Mrs. T. S. Cline's testimonial.

BAD GUTTERING.—The City Engineer is taking steps to have such arrangements made at the intersection of North Court Square with Second street, as will for the future prevent the water there overflowing the neighboring cellars. In the meantime the overflowing treasury of the city will, of course, have its troublesome flooding of abundance agreeably reduced to a lower ebb, by the sluices being opened to pay for the damage the water has already done to that vicinity.

THE SPRING RACES.

A Wet Day. Fine Attendance and Plenty of Sport.

Three Fine Races and a Little More Velocipedestrianhumbug.

Ontario, Theta and the Cheatham Entry Winners--A Favorite Badly Beaten.

Post Stake, Three Mile Heats Today---The Great Event of the Week.

Probably one thousand persons appeared on the grounds of the Racing Association, yesterday. A little rain had fallen before daylight, and though the sun shone in the morning, it was evident that the day would not pass without a number of showers from the surcharged clouds which flitted, like ugly shadows, across the firmament. It rained several times during the day, but the contests were exciting, and the interest increased.

FIRST RACE.

This was the Merchants and Bankers' Purse, two mile heats; $500; free for all ages. The entries were:

James Conlisk's br. h. Larkin; by Lexington; dam Magnolia. Colors—Blue and Blue, Orange sash.

S. Leonard's ch. f. Ontario, four years old, by imp. Bonnie Scotland; dam Lady Lancaster. Colors—Red and White.

Peter Mitchell's b. h. Elgin, four years old, by Shelby; dam Lady Bury; by imp. Emu. Colors—Red, White and Red.

First Heat—Ontario was the favorite, Larkin second, Ontario had the pole, Elgin next, and the bay horse on the outside. At the tap of the drum they were off, and Larkin at once jumped into the lead, closely followed by Ontario who collared him, Elgin following close behind. At the quarter Larkin showed a length which Ontario decreased to one-fourth the space before reaching the half-mile pole. Along the back stretch Larkin again commenced putting daylight between himself and the chestnut filly, but at this time she gave him a brush for the lead, and they entered the stretch nose and hip. Down they came at a rattling pace, Ontario steadily gaining, and when they dashed by the stand, she was ahead a length with Elgin rattling at her heels. Fairly into the second mile Larkin challenged for the front and the two put it down neck and neck to nearly the quarter, which showed Ontario a neck ahead. She was still leading at the second pole, and maintained the place under pull to the head of the stretch, Larkin holding his own against Elgin. Larkin again made a desperate effort to give the mare the go-by, but it was no use. Elgin suddenly commenced closing up, and many began to believe would take the second place. Ontario came home in the order observed all the way around, Ontario under pull, and Larkin's rider using the timber freely. Ontario took the heat by two lengths, Elgin half a dozen lengths behind. Time: 1:47—1:48; second mile, 3:49½.

Second Heat—The odds now increased on the favorite, who showed no signs of fatigue, and fled to others, for that matter; but the sharps were sweet on the chestnut, and wouldn't budge from their first love. At the drum-tap they were off again, Ontario like taking the track and putting it down for the quarter in splendid style. The Mitchell entry in a few moments tried to collar the bay horse and they had it for second place. But on passing the pole (29) the filly was three-fourths of a length ahead of Larkin, who lapped her midway to the half mile. The two were head and head the rest of the home stretch, and when they rounded the turn the horse's nose was in advance of the filly, Elgin about two lengths in the rear. When they passed the stand Ontario was winner, and showed a length. She kept this distance to the quarter in the second mile. To the half mile pole the horse's nose was at her rump, but on passing it Ontario suddenly made another forward movement, and increased the space to a length. She gained steadily to the head of the stretch; but coming down Larkin once more made a desperate effort for the lead. It was useless. The mare had him, and took the heat and race by two lengths, Elgin a good third. Time: 29—55—1:50; second mile: 3:48¾.

SECOND RACE.

The second race was for the Livery Stable Keeper's Purse, $250; two mile dash, free for all ages. The entries were:

James Conlisk's b. h. Gilroy, by Lexington; dam Magnolia. Colors—Blue and blue, orange sash.

S. Leonard's b. f. Queen of the West, four years old, by imported Bonnie Scotland; dam A la Mode. Colors—Red and white.

J. McMahon's blk. h. Pat Cleburne, aged, by Hiawatha; dam imported Emu. Colors—Red and green.

W. Brady's b. m. Agnes Donovan, six years old, by Lexington; dam Little Peggy by Cripple. Colors—Red and blue.

R. E. Cheatham's b. f. three years old, by Rogers; dam by Embassador. Colors—White, blue trimmings.

Queen of the West was the favorite generally in the pools, though Gilroy several times went for first choice. Agnes was third choice, Cleburne fourth, the Cheatham pool selling as low as a dollar in a $50 pool. The horses were placed in the following order: Agnes, Cheatham, Cleburne, Gilroy, Queen. The send-off was fair, Cleburne at once taking the lead, and keeping it to the quarter, which was made in 28, Cheatham's second, Gilroy's, Agnes', and the Queen following in regular order. At the second pole Cleburne still led, the others sometimes bunching, Gilroy showing in the second place. There was no change to the third quarter, where Gilroy attempted to take the second place, but was compelled to remain at the heels of Agnes's hack, and was soon forced back by the Cheatham filly. Cleburne passed the stand in 1:50; Cheatham second, Gilroy third, Agnes fourth, and the Queen fifth. There was no change to the quarter, and the friends of the black became jubilant. But just beyond it the Cheatham filly, splendidly managed by little Johnny McClelland, collared the horse, and in a few moments was a clear length ahead. The movement was an astonisher, and the holders of her pools brightened, as without "timbering" she steadily put the daylight between herself and competitors. There was no use trying to turn her down. The length was doubled, and she entered the home stretch, and rattled home in 3:45½, four lengths

DAILY AVALANCHE.

Arrival and Departure of Trains.

MEMPHIS AND CHARLESTON RAILROAD.

	Arrive.	Depart.
Through Mail (daily)	11:45 a.m.	1:00 p.m.
Through Express (daily, except Saturday)	10:30 p.m.	8:00 p.m.
Corinth Accommodation, (daily, except Sunday)		5:50 a.m.
Grand Junction and Somerville Accom'dat'n (daily except Sunday)	8:45 a.m.	4:15 p.m.

Railroad time twenty minutes faster than city time. Ticket offices, 272 Main street and at the depot.

Through Express does not leave Saturday or arrive Sunday.

MEMPHIS AND LOUISVILLE RAILROAD.

	Arrive.	Depart.
Day Express	3:30 p.m.	5 a.m.
Night Express	7 a.m.	4 p.m.

Sleeping car attached to Night Express trains which goes through to Nashville, via Nashville and Northwestern Railroad, without change.

Railroad time fifteen minutes faster than city. Ticket office No. 257½ Main street; depot at head of Main street.

MISSISSIPPI AND TENNESSEE RAILROAD.

	Arrive.	Depart.
N. O. Mail (daily)	3:15 p.m.	4:15 p.m.
N. O. Express (daily)	8:30 a.m.	8:30 a.m.
Freight (daily, except Sunday)	3:00 p.m.	6:25 a.m.

Ticket office, 257½ Main street, and at the Depot. Time through to New Orleans, 24 hours. Omnibuses will call for passengers and check baggage in any part of the city, by leaving orders at 22½ Jefferson street, or at 257½ Main street.

MEMPHIS AND LITTLE ROCK RAILROAD.

To Madison and Little Rock, Ark.

Going West—Leave Memphis daily.....7:30 a.m.
Going East—Leave Madison.....7 00 p.m

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DEPART—For Chattanooga, Richmond Washington, New York, Baltimore and all cities East and South; Columbus, Ga., and Montgomery, Ala., and all stations on the Memphis and Charleston, Mississippi Central, Mobile and Ohio, Nashville and Decatur, Nashville and Chattanooga and East Tennessee Railroads at.....12 m?
Arrive at.....11:45 a.m.

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Arrive at.....3:00 p.m.

DEPART—For New Orleans, Baton Rouge, Jackson, Vicksburg, Natchez, and all cities South at.....3:30 p.m.
Arrive at.....3:15 p.m.

DEPART—For all Stations on the Mississippi and Tennessee, New Orleans and Jackson and Southern Railroads, at.....3:30 p.m?
Arrive at.....

DEPART—For Louisville, Cincinnati and New York, and stations on the Memphis and Louisville Railroad, at.....5:00 p.m.
Arrive at.....9:00 a.m.

DEPART—For Memphis and Little Rock Railroad. Little Rock, Madison (Sundays excepted), at.....5:00 p.m.
Arrive at.....4:00 p.m

DEPART—For Marion, Wittsburg and Claibourne, Ark. (tri-weekly) Monday, Wednesday and Friday, at.....11.00 a.m.
Arrive at.....10.00 a.m.

DEPART—For Olive Branch and Byhalia, Miss. (semi-weekly) Monday and Friday, at.....5.00 p.m.
Arrive at.....4.00 p.m.

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Arrive at.....10.00 a.m.

DEPART—For Little Rock and Helena, and all landings on White river (semi-weekly) Tuesday and Saturday, at.....5.00 p.m.
Arrive at.....9.00 a.m.

DEPART—For Pine Bluff and Helena, and all landings on Arkansas river (tri-weekly) Monday, Thursday and Saturday, at.....4.00 p.m.
Arrive at.....9.00 a.m.

DEPART—For all landings on the Mississippi river, south, (semi-weekly) Tuesday and Saturday, at.....4.00 p.m.
Arrive at.....9.00 a.m.

DEPART—For all landings on Mississippi river, north, (semi-weekly) Monday and Thursday, at.....3.30 p.m.
Arrive at.....9.00 a.m.

ROBERT C. GIST Postmaster.

Financial and Commercial.

DAILY AVALANCHE OFFICE, }
THURSDAY EVENING, April 22, 1869. }

Receipts of general merchandise have been very light since yesterday's review of the markets, and as a consequence prices are scarcely changed beyond the extent they may be influenced by the apparent upward course of gold and from scant supplies of some articles. The general market was dull and the business done was chiefly of a retail character. A few country merchants were looking about and will probably be felt before the close of the week. In money matters the only change of importance, was a scarcity of exchange with some of the banks and the taking of several New York sight commercial bills at par, although ¼ off was the rate with the banks doing most business in this line. It is said, one bill was taken at ½ premium, which was the rate in the few transactions occurring between bankers. The selling rates at the counter are ¼ off to par for New Orleans and ¼ premium for Eastern. The supply of New Orleans exchange is light, as compared with a few days ago, but the rate of discount on cotton bills is unchanged, being ½@¾ per cent.

Gold fluctuated considerably in New York, opening at 134¾, quoted at 134¾ at noon then advancing to 134¾ and closing at 133¾. Dealers here were eager buyers at 134 and one allowed 134¼ on a bag of $1,800, selling at 134½, at which figure a lot of $4,500 changed hands. In a small way, 135 was the selling rate. In view of the scarcity of gold it is apprehended that "bulls" will create a "corner" in the New York market, as they were industriously at work to-day. That end to-day. The Government is hoarding closely. A Washington dispatch says it is expected that on the first of May the Treasury will hold about one hundred million dollars in specie. There are over eighty-two million dollars now on hand, and the customs receipts for the month are estimated at nearly eighteen million dollars. Twenty-eight million of coin interest come due on the first prox. Some few applications have been made for pre-payment of interest, in response to the Secretary's recent offer, but not to any considerable amount.

City and county scrip were in moderate request and dealers reported sales of county at 72½@75 and checks on the city at 77½@80, in various amounts from $600 down. There was little or none offered and buying rates were 75@76 for city balances and 70@71 for county warrants.

Stocks and bonds continue nominal. There are none on the market. Government securities opened firmer and moderately active in New York and closed as follows:

Bonds of 1881	117@117½
5-20s of '62	121 @121½
5-20s of '64	119½@119¾
5-20s of '65	118@118½
5-20s, new, of '65	118@118½
5-20s, new, of '67	118@118½
5-20s, new, of 68	118@118½
10-40 bonds	109@109½
Pacific 6s	106@106½

The New York money market was without material change to-day, 7 per cent. currency being the rate on call loans. Sterling exchange was higher, quoted at 108¾ for prime sixty-day bills. Sales of new Tennessee bonds at 68¾ and old at 69¾ are reported, showing a shade of a decline on the latter and an advance of ¾ on the former. Stocks were active under a short interest, and closed as follows:

Wells & Fargo Express	33
American Express	49½
Adams Express	49½
United States Express	46½
Merchants' Union Express	30
Quicksilver	23
Canton	57
Pacific Mail	99
Western Union Telegraph	33½
New York Central	167½
Erie	23
Hudson	142
Reading	100
Chicago and Alton	155½
Chicago and Alton preferred	75
Toledo, W. and R. W.	93
Toledo, W. and Ft. W. preferred	97
St. Paul	77½
St. Paul preferred	93
Fort Wayne	131½
Ohio and Mississippi	34
Michigan Central	135
Michigan Southern	120
Illinois Central	142
Cleveland and Pittsburg	93½
Cleveland and Toledo	124
Rock Island	110½
Chicago and N. W.	84
Chicago and N. W. preferred	86½

St. Louis is making a bold strike for the grain trade of the West. Her position entities her to great respect in the matter, and she evidently means to solve the problem of cheap freights by the Mississippi in a manner favorable to her interests. The President of the Mississippi Valley Transportation Company has purchased 100,000 bushels of wheat at points on the Upper Mississippi, and has sent a tug-boat and five barges up from St. Louis to bring it down. This wheat will be sent direct to Liverpool, via New Orleans, and will be delivered at the latter port, it is stated, one cent cheaper than it could be taken from the Mississippi river to Chicago.

No fresh developments have occurred in reference to the English cotton strike. The situation at Preston remains unchanged. Professor Beasly has been in the town putting inquiries to the work people on strike, it is presumed with a view of suggesting some arrangement. The secretary of the spinners and winders issued a circular to rimind that body of their resolution to oppose the reduction. The weaver's secretary has announced that the strike allowance would be raised.

A meeting of the Financial Committee appointed to provide ways and means in view of the approaching Commercial Convention in this city, was held yesterday at the Peabody Hotel, when it was estimated that about $10,000 would be collected for defraying the attendant expenses. A letter enclosing $100, and tendering the use of his rooms for committee purposes, was received from Mr. Willett, of Adams street.

The New York *Chronicle* of the 17th instant says receipts of cotton at the ports last week were 27,967 bales, against 32,523 bales in 1868, and exports 47,959 bales, against 35,775 bales in 1868, making receipts from September 1st to the 16th instant (including estimate of overland shipments) 2,075,461 bales, and foreign exports 1,064,428 bales, against 2,143,718 bales (not including overland cotton) received, and ——— bales exported during the corresponding period last season. Stocks at the ports on the 16th instant, as compared with last season are as follows:

	1869.	1868.
New Orleans	100,927	96,523
Mobile	41,306	33,984
Charleston	14,460	12,705
Savannah	31,924	30,029
Texas	10,505	7,200
New York	29,678	25,000
Other ports	30,212	30,000
Total	338,041	280,211

In regard to production and future prices of the staple, the *Chronicle* remarks:

We have often referred to the fall in price likely to take place when the next cotton crop comes in; but many appear to think that if we raise three million bales or very near that amount, the result will be ruinously low rates. We do not believe that such is likely to be the case. Evidently if there is a largely increased production here and throughout the world the present prices cannot be maintained, and the probabilities of this increased production elsewhere, even if not here, are so decided that we have often expressed the opinion that prices must fall, and will; but, on the other hand, it is not at all likely that we shall see cotton very low, at least before our next crop is mostly marketed. All know that what will be produced in the coming season in India cannot begin to reach the European mills until about a year from the present time, and that our own cotton will come upon stocks in a measure large. But besides this, stocks of goods will be small, and the capacity of the people for the consumption of goods will be enlarged, in increasing every year, further, the high prices being obtained in India for the raw material, and the diminished shipments of goods this year from Great Britain to her Eastern possessions, will make increased shipments and, consequently, increased production another season a necessity. England, too, is rapidly recovering from her financial difficulties, while the condition of continental affairs is improving, so that if there is continued peace in Europe we can expect an improvement in the European consumption. These considerations should encourage our planters to replant, where it becomes necessary, and so produce all the cotton they can, since it will not now be to the exclusion of other crops.

Cotton Market.

Inquiry was very fair but at lower rates, as a consequence of which buyers were unable to operate with any freedom and some indeed were unable to do anything, such for instance as were limited to 26½@26¾c for middling and 24¾@25c for good ordinary. Sales were about 800 bales, of which 135 strict low middling or nearly middling at 26¾; 56 and 28 low middling and middling at 26¼c; 53 ordinary and good ordinary at 24¾c; 17 low middling at 25¾c; 75 middling to strict middling at 27¼c, 12, 6 and 5 middling at 26¾c, 26, 27, 5, 28 and 32 do. at 27c, 16 do. at 27¼c, 15 ordinary at 24c, 15 do. at 24½c, 20 low middling at 26½c, 43 do. at 26c, 19 do. at 25¾c, 24 do. at 26¾c, 8 and 22 good ordinary at 25c, 9 do. at 25½c, 115 do. at 25¾c, 24 do. (good style), at 24¾c. The Liverpool market declined to 12d for uplands and closed quiet. The New York market was partly sustained by higher rates of gold and sterling exchange and closed dull.

COTTON STATEMENT.
CHAMBER OF COMMERCE, }
MEMPHIS, April 22, 1869. }

Stock on hand Sept. 1, 1868	47
Received to-day	227
Received previously	234,618—234,875
	234,922
Exported to-day	1,096
Exported previously	213,314—214,410
Stock on hand and in transitu	20,512

Receipts were per Memphis and Charleston Railroad, 61 bales; Mississippi and Tennessee Railroad, 17; Memphis and Ohio Railroad, 110; river, 49; wagons, 20.

Exports were per Mississippi and Tennessee Railroad, 142 bales; Memphis and Charleston Railroad, 420; river, 734. In receipts to date the deficit, as compared with last year's receipts to corresponding date, is 13,999 bales.

The New Orleans *Times* of Tuesday refers further to the cotton stealing in that city, as follows:

There was a good deal of comment in cotton circles on a fraud alleged to have been committed by substituting light bales of trashy cotton for heavy bales of average quality, in a delivery from the press of the ship. The deficiency in weight on thirteen bales is said to have amounted to 2,600 pounds, and was detected in the re-weighing on the levee. The inferior quality of the cotton was discovered at the same time. It was also said that the guilty party had made a full confession. We learn that there has recently been an unusual demand for re-weighing trash, motes, etc., although not of sufficient extent to excite suspicion; that the developments with regard to the Colston's case, the flight of the chief actor in that affair, and the present fraudulent substitution, have excited the vigilance of all parties. For the honor of our city and the security of the trade, it is incumbent on all persons employed in any manner in the movement of the staple to zealously co-operate for the purpose of preventing frauds or of exposing them when committed; and no false delicacy should cause any reticence in relation to whatever discoveries may be made. How far the prosperity of the cotton press are responsible for such frauds on the part of their employes, admits of some question; but independently of any pecuniary liability, higher motives should inspire every manager to exercise the utmost vigilance in every department to secure fidelity from every person in his employment.

New York Cotton Market.

NEW YORK, April 22—10:30 a.m.—Cotton market opens lower in prices, with the same disposition to sell and considered flat; uplands, 28¾c.

12:15 p.m.—Cotton market firmer, but prices remain unchanged; offerings are light.

4 p.m.—Market closed dull and heavy. Sales to spinners, 688 bales; sales for exports, 683 bales; in transit, 200 bales; uplands, 28¾c; ordinary, 25¼c.

Liverpool Cotton Market.

LIVERPOOL, April 22—11:15 a.m.—Cotton market opens flat; middling uplands, 12⅜ d; Orleans, 12⅝d@12¾d. Estimated sales for the day, 7,000 bales.

4:30 p.m.—Cotton market closes dull, at 12d for middling uplands and 12¾d for Orleans. Sales for the day, 7,000 bales.

GENERAL MARKET.

ALE, ETC—Agents' prices are as follows: Sand's stock ale per hf bbl, $12; porter per hf bbl, $12; pale cream ale per hf bbl, $11 50; lager beer per hf bbl, $10. Imitation Scotch ale per dozen bottles, $2 25. Empty vessels returned $3 per hf bbl, and 25c per doz bottles allowed.

BRAN—No receipts and market bare, with a good demand. Dealers retail at $1 40 per hundred, shipping order.

BACON—Market quiet and steady. A consignment of clear sides in sugar hhds, in store, was offered at 17¼c, but regular packed city cured were 17½@17¾c and shoulders 16c by the cask. Choice sugar cured hams remain firm at 19@19½c for uncanvassed and 20@20½c for canvassed; while common uncanvassed are 16½@17¼c, by the package.

BUTTER—Choice Western scarce and fair to good abundant and dull. Country prices ranging from 35@45c, by the tub. No cooking butter in market.

CHEESE—Market quiet. We quote 12 75@13 25 and mixed 12@13c per bushel.

BRAN—Is in request at 1 25@1 30.

CORN—Only 90 sks received and market firm at 80c for shelled, on orders, though 100 sks mixed in fine order was sold from store at 77c and a lot of about 123 sks in poor order at 76c. Flatboats held firm at 76@80c, according to quantity. We note a fair demand from distillers.

CORN MEAL—Market dull and unchanged; kiln dried in first hands, $3 75 and fresh bolted, $3 50 per bbl, in store, though on orders to the regular trade, $3 75 for fresh and $4 for kiln dried are the prices.

CHEESE—No Western reserve in market and New York Factory, 20@22c and firm.

COFFEE — Market quiet and unchanged. In a jobbing way Rio ranges from 20@26c and Java 36@40c, according to quality, but round lots can be had from first hands at lower figures.

CANNED GOODS—We quote as follows: Cove oysters, 1 lb cans, per dozen, $1 55@1 65; do. 2 lb cans, $2 55@2 65; spiced oysters per doz, $4 50@5 50; lobsters, 1 lb, $2 50@2 75; do. 2 lb, $3 50@3 75; green corn, $1 50; peaches, 2 lb, 4@4 50; pine apples, $4 25@4 50; pears, $4; tomatoes, 2 lb, $2 75@3; brandy peaches, $5 75@6; sardines, small, $19 50 per case; large, $22 50 per case.

COTTON SEED—Common seed in demand at oil factories at $11@12 ₱ ton. Holders of fancy seeds sell to planters at $3 to $3 25 per bushel for Peeler, $15 for Moina (or 5 bushels at $50), $1 50 for Dunsway, and $5 for Dickson.

COTTON YARNS—Standards are quoted as follows: No. 400, 23c; No. 500, 21c; No. 600, 19c; No. 700, 16@16½c.

CANDLES—Dull at 17 to 18c for star 12 oz, and 24 to 25c for full weights in boxes, half boxes and quarters.

DRIED FRUIT—Scarce and in demand. Buyers offer 10@12c for apples and 11@15c for peaches, quarters and halves, unpealed.

DRY GOODS—Market dull at 16c for standard 4-4 sheetings, and 12½c for first-class prints.

EGGS—Dull at 17@18c per dozen. Market overstocked.

FLOUR—The market continues flat for all grades and it is difficult to effect sales without making sacrifices. We note sales of 40 bbls Rockdale, good family, at $6 75; 25 bbls super at $5 50; 16 bbls double extra at $7 25 and 20 bbls fancy at $10 50.

GREASE—In demand at 8 to 10c per lb.

HIDES—In demand; buyers paying 24 for flint, 21 for dry salted, 11c for green salted and 9½ to 10c for green.

LARD—Dull. We quote city rendered nominally, 13@13c in tierces, 20@21c in kegs and 21@22c in caddies.

LIME—Dull. In store, Cape is $1 75@2, Alabama, $2@2 25, and Ohio river and Ulica, $1 25@1 75 per bbl.

LEATHER—Market quiet. Oak sole ₱ lb, 42 to 45c; Hemlock sole, 35 to —c; French calf skins ₱ doz, $50@80; American do., $20@50; Hrings, per doz., $8 50@12; toppings, $12@15.

MOLASSES—Market unchanged. We quote per gallon by the bbl, 55@65c for West India, and 60@70c for common to strictly choice Louisiana. In half bbls and kegs, prices are 5@10c higher. Syrups per gallon, $1@1 50.

NAILS—Dull at $4 75 rates, in a jobbing way, with agents offering round lots at $4 60, in store.

OATS—No receipts and market unchanged. Prime, in good order for shipping, are held at 70c per bushel in store and on flatboat, but move slowly. A small lot to arrive we sold at 72½c.

OILS, ETC—Market quiet and easy. Prices by the bbl are as follows: Carbon per gallon, 35@37c; linseed, raw, $1 20; boiled, $1 30; sperm, $2 25@2 50; lard, No. 1, $1 70; lubricating, 50@60c; turpentine, 70c.

POULTRY—Hens active at $6 50@7 per dozen. Ducks slow at $5. No market for geese. Turkeys scarce.

POTATOES—All descriptions dull and seed varieties unsaleable. Peachblows, and blue Nesharnocks, $6@2 25 per bbl.

PORK—Market dull and prices unchanged. Mess per bbl, $32@33 and rump, $26@28 per bbl, in a jobbing way, as in quality. Bulk meats move very slowly at 12½@13c for shoulders, 15c for rib sides and 16½@16¾c for clearsides, by the cask, in store.

PAINTS, OILS, ETC—White lead per 100 lbs, $6@13 50, according to quality; putty per lb, 7@8c; patent dryers, 18@20c; turpentine per gallon, 70c; linseed oil, raw, $1 20; do. boiled, $1 30.

POWDER—Quiet at $6 50 ₱ keg, for rifle.

RICE—Carolina, 10¾@11c per lb, by the tierce.

SALT—Market dull but not quotably changed. We quote small bbls common, $2 50@2 75 and large bbls, $3 30@3 50; small dairy, $3 50@3 75, and large do, $4 50@4 75.

SUGAR—Market unchanged. We quote open kettle Louisiana, 12@13c; yellow clarified, 15½@16¾c; white clarified, 16½@17¼c, according to quality; hard refined, 18@18¾c, and soft do, 16@17¼c.

SHOT—Drop per bag, $3@3 10; buck, $3 25@3 35.

SODA—Quiet at 7@8c per lb.

STARCH—Quiet at 7@8c per lb.

TALLOW—In demand, buyers paying 10 to 11c.

WHISKY—Dull at 60c@$1 05 per gallon for common, according to proof.

WRAPPING PAPER—Sales of 300 reams at 50, 70 and 90c.

Mississippi Valley Navigation Company of the South and West.

To the Owners of Real Estate in Tennessee, Mississippi, Alabama and Arkansas.

The Company, known to the public as the "Mississippi Valley Navigation Company of the South and West," is organized under a charter from the State of Louisiana. This charter authorizes a capital stock of five hundred thousand dollars, with the privilege of extension to one million. That the public may know the exact objects of the Company, the following is of the charter is given entire, as follows:

"The object of this Company is to construct or otherwise procure and maintain one or more steamboats or other vessels, to run on and navigate the Mississippi river, or its tributaries, for the purpose of carrying freight, mails and passengers; to construct docks, wharves, buildings and such other conveniences as may be necessary to the building and repairing of vessels, and generally to exercise such incidental powers and privileges as are hereby or may be conferred on them for the purposes aforesaid."

The Company have, under the provisions of this charter, to construct a line of steamers to run between the different ports on the Mississippi river and its tributaries. They will be constructed on the low-pressure principle; they will carry less steam; they will make better time, and be, in all respects, more safe than any description of boats ever placed upon our waters. Should any one of them meet with a disaster, whether by fire or snags, shall happen to one, the boat is not endangered. In case of fire, apparatus for turning steam on will be provided, and it is encouraged that in case one compartment is broken through by contact with snags, and fills with water, the others are not endangered, and the boat can easily, by the pumps, provided for such an emergency, will be in instant operation. Safety to passengers and freight is a great end, worthy of the study of the people of the Mississippi Valley.

Nearly three thousand dollars in money and work has already been subscribed to the capital stock of the Company. The Louisiana Legislature has granted the Company one hundred thousand dollars of the stock in the Company. An additional sum of that amount will be asked for and subscribed in the same body. The Company have resolved to take back bonds for their stock, which will preserves the cordial support it is receiving. Long on the right may be the right hand of the State of Louisiana, and its future be far more successful than its past has ever been.—(Somerville Plaindealer.

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The Memphis AVALANCHE comes to us with narrower columns, a new dress, and we are greatly improved in typographical appearance. We congratulate its proprietors upon the success which has attended their efforts so much in improvements, and trust that it may suffer no abatement. The AVALANCHE in its present dress is one of the handsomest as well as ablest papers in the South.—[St. Louis Times.

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We are pleased to see the evidence of prosperity in our AVALANCHE neighbor, who appears this morning in greatly enlarged proportions and in new dress. The improvement made in size, and the outer garb, deserves a lasting reward. It will require a strong editorial staff to fill well its capacious columns. We are compelled to put hoops on our biggest thoughts, and compress them into smallest compass. Eminent success to you, neighbor.—(Memphis Ledger.

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